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The Speaker announced the appointment of J. W. Babcock of Wisconsin to be a member of the Committee on Ways and Means in place of Mr. Doiliver, resigned.

The usual resolution was adopted for the appointment of a committee to notify the appointment of a committee to notify the appointment of a committee to notify the present of Ohio and Richardson of Tennessee were designated. The House then took a recess until 2 o'clock At 2 o'clock the committee reported and the President's n essage was presented by Mr. Pruden, his encountive clark. The reading of the message was interrupted to receive a message from the Senate, announcing the deaths of the late Senators Gear of lows and Davis of Minnesota, and of the Senate adjournment as a mark of respect to the message and accompanying documents were referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Linio.

Resolutions expressing the profound sorrow of the House at the announcement of the deaths of Representatives John Heffecker of Delaware and William D. Dalv of New Jersey were agreed to; also similar resolutions regarding the deaths of Senators John Henry Gear of Iowa and Cushman Kellogg Davis of Minnesota. As a further mark of respect the House at 4:20 o clock adjourned until to-morrow.

SENATE'S ORDER OF BUSINESS. Ship Subsidy Bill to Be Taken Up To-days to

He Displaced Only by Army Hill. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The Committee of Republican Senators to arrange an order of that the so-called Hanna-Payne Ship Subsidy bill should be taken up to-morrow at 2 o'clock, displacing the Spooner resolution for the Government of the Philippines as the unfinished Under a special order adopted In the closing days of the last session the House next Monday. The committee, however, thought it inexpedient to pass the Canal bill while the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty stands in the way, and will recommend the postponement of the special order will the pending Hay-

HOUSE DEMOCRATS IN CAUCUS.

Nothing Decided Upon Regarding the Army

Reorganization Bill. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The Democratic members of the House held a caucus this afternoon on the Army Reorganization bill. After the caucus it was admitted that the call was somewhat premature, as the bill had not been reported from the Committee on Military Af-fairs, and few of the members present had had any opportunity of learning the nature of the measure which the Republicans propose to submit. On this account, as much as for any ther reason, the caucus adjourned without taking any action whatever.

Representative Hay, who is the leading Democratic member on the Committee on Mili-Democratic member on the Committee on Military Affairs and at whose suggestion the caucilians was held, offered a resolution that it was the sense of the caucilians that the army should be maintained in statu quo for two years longer. He supported his proposition by saying that it was not his intention to agree with the Republicans, but to obtain the best terms possible.

Representative Kleburg of Texas pointed out that by accepting even a continuance of the army at its present force for two years the Democrats were countenancing an unjust war and furthering the projects of the Administration for the subjection of the Filipines, and it would be far more Democratic to fight all propositions to increase the army, whether of a temporary or a permanent nature, than to agree to Mr. Hav's resolution.

Mr. Davis of Florida moved to amend the motion by making the extension for one year.

A proposition was made that the Democrats oppose any bill the Republicans might submit, but this did not neet with much favor, as the members did not like to commit themselves in advance. It being evident that the discussion would be extended and little desire being shown for definite action a motion to adjourn was welcomed and carried.

The House Committee on Military Affairs will meet to-morrow morning and it is expected the bill will be perfected and reported to the House on Wednesday. Many changes will be made, especially in that part of Mr. Root's bill which relates to the organization of the staff. tary Affairs and at whose suggestion the caucus

BILLS INTRODUCED.

A Reapportionment Bill That Reduces the Representation of Southern States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 -- Representative Crumpacker of Indiana to-day introduced the first teapportionment bill for the present session. grants to each State a certain number of members of the House, 365 in all. It is proposed to reduce the representation of certain States, especially those in the South, which have restricted suffrage. The changes proposed by the bill are as follows.

Gains-Arkansas 1, California 1, Colorado 1, Connecticut 1, Florida 1, Massachusetts 1, Minnesotta 2, Missouri 1, New Jersey 3, New York 3, North Dakota 1, Pennsylvania 2, Texas 2, Illinois 2, Washington 1 and West Virginia 1. The States losing members are: Mississippi 3, Nebraska 1, North Carolina 4, South Carolina 3, Virginia 1, Kansas 1 and Louisiana 2. Other bills introduced were By Mr. Shafroth of Colorado—To establish reservoirs and reclaim arid lands.

By Mr Bull of Rhode Island—Equalizing the pay of officers of the line, medical and pay corps of the navy with officers of similar rank in the army: also providing for the retirement of enlisted men of the navy.

By Mr Fitzgerald of Massachusetts—Giving two months pay to the Volunteers who have berved in the Philippines on their discharge from the service. grants to each State a certain number of mem-

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S REPORT.

Beview of Cases Before the Court of Claims

THE OLEOMARGARINE BILL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3. Although the Olecmargarine bill is expected to pass the flouse by a good margin, there will be a hot fight made against it, led by Chairman Wadsworth of the Committee on Agriculture, which reof Ohio. At one time last session it appeared that a majority of the Committee on Agricul from the outside converted four members and here opposed to the bill have returned to vote

Representative Grosvenor was Obposed by the farming interests in his district because he was against the bill, but he called the measure. digment to finally suppress "

up on Thursday, but as Friday will be devoted to the consideration of private bills and war claims and Saturday to a special order for eulogies, the Grout bill will have to go over until Monday, when it is expected the vota will be taken at & o'clock.

THE WARSHIP FOR MOROCCO.

Ship Than the Dixte. ent is not satisfied with the assignment of the training ship Dixie to back up the demand of Consul-General Gummere for the payment American cuizen, at Fez. The State Department wants a larger and more formidable warship to assist Mr. Gummere and will make that suggestion to the Navy Department. Secretary Long said this evening that the orders for the Dixie to proceed to Tangier to be placed at the disposal of Mr. Gummere had been sent and he saw no reason for chanzing them. The Dixie, he said, was sufficiently formidable for Mr. Gummere's purpose. When Mr. Long was told that the State Department would like to have the battleship Kentucky placed at Mr. Gummere's disposal, he said that this would be impossible, as the Kentucky had orders to proceed to Manda after her visit to Smyrna, Turkey.

ANOTHER DISPUTE WITH TURKEY.

the War Department to-day in a casiegram from Gen. MacArthur:

"Killed—Nov. 26, at Umbao, Luzon, Troop D. Ninth Cavalry, Samuel Walker; Nov. 24, at Malolos, Luzon, Company F. Thirtieth Infantry, J. H. Wenkler.

"Wounded—Coupenny L. Third Infantry, Otto Kruger and Daniel O. Harkins, in head, seriously. Nov. 12, at Cabatuan, Panay, Company H. Twenty-sixth Infantry, Otis Manchester, chest, slight."

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SECRETARY ROOT'S REPORT. OPERATIONS OF THE ARMY IN THE

PHILIPPINES AND CHINA.

Organization of Native Troops Recommended Civic and Commercial Prosperity in Cuba and Porto Rico Estimates for 1902 \$14.120.665 Less Than for 1901.

Washington, Dec. 3 - In his annual report, and public to-day, the Secretary of Warpews the operations of the army in the shoppines and in China in great detail. With a Secretary's report is transmitted the report of Secretary's report is transmitted the report in full operation; labor is in demand at Scool wages. character closely approaching brigandage. which will require time, patience and good

As rapidly as we have occupied territory," says, "the policy of inviting inhabitants return to their peaceful vocations, and aiding them in the reastablishment of their local governments, has been followed, and the proto them. The giving of this protection has led to the distribution of troops in the Philippine Islands to over 400 different posts, with the consequent labor of administration and supply. "The maintenance of these posts involves but as the Tagalogs, who are in rebellion, have deliberately adopted the policy of murdering United States the maintenance of garrisons

peaceful and unarmed Filipinos who have sub-

mitted to our authority, and if we are to discharge our obligations in that regard their

ction must necessarily be gradual. "The most efficient measures for the reduction of the number of posts and consequently of the number of troops necessary in the Philippines will be the construction of roads, making possible rapid communication, so that each post section of country; the establishment of personal relations between our officers and the people of the country with whom they are brought in contact, so that we can tell who are trustworthy sources of information and who are not; the

of the British troops.

Gen. Chaffee tells of the queer actions of the Russians in attacking Pekin, saying that after arriving at Tung Chow the Russian commander sent word to the other commanders that he could not move forward that day as he had to rest his troops. It was acreed to reconnoitre on that day, Aug. 13, but, says Gen. Chaffee:

"For reasons unknown to me the Russians left their camp at Tong-Chow about the time that my troops were marching to close on my advance guard. They followed theroad which had been assigned to them, and about 9 o'clock heavy firing was heard in the vicinity of Pekin. It was the next day ascertained that they had moved forward during the previous evening and had attacked the Tong-Plen-Men Gate, an east gate of the city pear where the Chinese wall joins the Tartar wall. At the time of the occurrence I supposed the firing to be the last efforts of the Chinese troops to destroy the legations. About daybreak of Aug. 14 a Japaneses staff officer came and inquired if I knew anything of the whereabouts of the Russian troops, to which I could only reply that I supposed them at Tong-Chow on my right flank, on the opposite side of the canal. To this he revilled that 'they were not on the opposite side of the canal."

"The 14th, being the day decided upon for the concentration on the line seven miles from Tong-Chow, I made no preparations for carry-read any operations beyond a small recon-

conference held by them the next day. In their opinion the imperial city should be occupied. It was later decided by the Generals to occupy the Imperial grounds, and in consequence of this decision I reoccupied the grounds we had won on the 15th, placing the Ninth Infantry within as guard at the gate where our attack ceased." After reviewing in detail the steps that have been taken to place Cuba upon a firm basis of

the production of fruit at the eastern end of the island is increasing; the mines of Santiago are in full operation; labor is in demand at good wages.

"Curiously enough, now that Spanish sover-eignity has departed from the island, a current of Spanish immigration is setting in. More than 40,000 Spaniards, chiefly hardy and industrious people from the nerth of Spain, have come to the island during the year, and it is estimated that before the end of December the number will have reached 50,000. They are useful and welcome additions to the industry of the island.

"Only doubt as to the stability of the future government and uncertainty as to the continuance of a market for her products retard the influx of capital and the development of Cuba's extraordinary resources. It is to be hored that the wise action of the present Constitutional Convention will speedily resolve these uncertainties and establish the prosperity of Cuba upon a firm foundation.

The report on affairs in Porto Rico shows that the island is steadily prospering under American rule, and a letter from Governor General Davis covering the situation fully is quoted and concurred in by the Secretary. On the subject of seacoast defences the Secretary says provision has been made for emplacing 300 heavy guns, 368 rapid-fire guns and 872 mortars, but that the indaequate number of artillery troops to care for seacoast guns is still a reasonable cause of complaint.

The Secretary makes known in his report his views on army reorganization, which have already been published in connection with the plans of the House Committee on Military Affairs. The army now consists of 2,535 officers and 68,221 enlisted men of the Regular establishment and 1,548 officers and 31,079 enlisted men of the Volunteer service, making a total of 103,150.

The Secretary of War's estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, aggregate \$185,003,561. Under the general head of "Livil Establishment" the estimates show a net increase of \$28,220 from the total amount estimated for th

between the State and railroad companies By the provisions of the earlier laws the State provided for the payment by the railroad companies of a gross earnings tax in lieu of taxation of their property "in specie." Under the law of 1895, which repealed the earlier laws and which the people at a general election voted to adopt, 255,585 to 29,530, State officers endeavored to collect taxes upon certain tracts of land in Aiskin county, granted by Congress to the St. Paul and Duluth Railroad Company, the Northern Pacific Railroad Company and the Great Northern Railroad Company and the Great Northern Railroad Company are grosse earnings tax, in lieu of taxes on other property, had been formally accepted by the St. Paul and Duluth and the Northern Pacific companies, but not by the Great Northern.

The Supreme Court of Minnesota held that the law of 1895 was valid, and that the taxes upon the lands in question should be collected. The Supreme Court of the United States holds that the law of 1895 was a violation of the contracts made with the railroad companies in the earlier statutes, and that all the lands in question, save those owned by the Great Northern Company, must be taken off of the tax duplicate.

No More Concise Aggregation taxation of their property "in specie." Under

CRITICS OF NEW CHARTER.

NOW PLATT SAYS "IT WONT DO." POLI-TICIANS SHAKE THEIR HEADS

And Say It Will Need a Stiff Fight to Get the Revision Through the Legislature Coler Objects to New Hospital Hoard Miles

Following the one given by Senator Platt. ter proposed by the commission appointed by Gov. Roosevelt last spring "would not do, politicians vesterday were generally agreed that it would take a stiff fight to get the proposed amendments through the Legislature. For this reason no one interested in the Charter cared to discuss it to any extent yesterday, except Comptroller Coler and President O'Brien ter of fact the Tammany officeholders have very generally neglected to read the report of the commission. The Mayor, of course, has nothing to say about it, for he never talks for publication. Corporation Counsel Whalen is reading the document and may have something to say about it soon.

Mr. Coler is an advocate of centralization in city government, and he thinks that the Charter Commission has provided for this. in the executive functions, while providing for practical autonomy in the matter of local mprovements. The Comptroller approves of borough government and of increased power for the borough Presidents. He is also in favor of a single-headed police commission. Of the proposed separation of the public hospitals in Manhattan and The Bronx from the Charities Department he said in a statement yes-

terday: "Among so many excellent features it would best range, indeed, if there were not some which to individual minds appear to be most unwise.

best range, indeed, if there were not some which to individual minds appear to be most unwise. Chief among the latter I should mention the proposed separation from the Department of Public Charities of some of the public hospitals. If some, why not all? The relation of these hospitals to those which are not affected and to the other institutions in charge of the Department of Public Charities is so close and intimate that a division of responsibility and authority will, in my judgment, work very badly.

"For years experience has shown the necessity of centralizing responsibility in this department, and the Charter Revision Commission has apparently seen the advantages of this course by going still further and substituting a single commissioner for a board of three. Nevertheless, they have, with apparent inconsistency, taken a long step backward and dislocated the department by separating from its control about one-half of its hospitals. Moreover, I believe the administration of an unpaid board will prove comparatively inefficient and powerless to withstand the influences which, through the medical board, will seek to make Bellevue a mere adjunct to medical colleges.

"As a whole, I think the work of the commission is admirable and deserves the fullest public support. Above all, it ought to make possible e very substantial reduction in the burden of taxation."

President O'Brien of the Board of Education is opposed to the proposed repeal of the "four mills provision" of the Davis School law. Mr. O'Brien says that this provision will tend to separate the department from politics and that the Department of Education ought to fix the salaries of its employees. It is expected that the board will oppose the changes before the Legislature.

LETTER-WRITING CRANK ARRESTED.

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detective from Boston on suspicion of being concerned in a theft of \$8,800 from the house of Thomas Beck, a broker. It is also thought that Thomas Beck, a broker. It is also thought that he is implicated in a robbery at 85 Lowell street, Boston, on Nov. 14, when \$1,300 cash, twenty-eight ladies' gold watches, eight men's gold watches and fifty diamond earrings and rings, together valued at \$3,000, were stolen. Magistrate Zeller remanded him to Police Headquarters without bail.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 3.—Max Pearlman is suspected of helping young Morris Aarenhurg to steal \$8,837 last Friday evening from the home of Mrs. Margaret Beck in West Concord street. Aarenburg told Inspector Wolf who his "pal" in the robbery was, and the inspector recalled having seen the man in Elmira Reformatory when he visited that place. Pearlman's picture will be sent to Boston so hat Aarenburg may examine it and say for sure whether he is the man who was his "pal" in the robbery and, as the boy says, ran away with the cash. Young Aarenburg has told three stories about the robbery however, and the police do not put much faith in any of them.

Aarenburg and his "pal" are also suspected of being implicated in a safe robbery at 85 Lowell street a fortnight ago in which in daylight a jeweller's safe two feet square was stolen bodily. It contained \$1,300 in cash and jewelry valued at \$1,700. No trace was ever found of it. Aarenburg lived almost next door to the place. he is implicated in a robbery a t 85 Lowell street,

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Broadway & 19th Street:

Latter's Divorced Wife Is a Morris, and Suit Is Over Bonds of Hers. Alfred Hennen Morris and Dave Hennen Morris, sons of the late John A. Morris, owner of Morris Park, had an action on trial before Justice Russell of the Supreme Court yesterday to recover as trustees for their sister, Frances Isabella Barnes, stock held in the name of her former husband, Thurlow Weed Barnes. The stock is 2,500 shares of the Van Nest Land and Improvement Company, of a par value of \$100 a share. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes were married on Oct. 13, 1887, and Mrs. Barnes ob-tained a divorce in March, 1807. They had not lived together since about 1894. She ob-

tained a divorce in March, 1997. They had not lived together since about 1894. She obtained the custody of their two children by the decree.

The trustees of the stock were the plaintiffs, their father John A. Morris, since deceased, and Barnes and the trust ran from 1891. Barnes resigned as trustee on Feb. 21, 1898, but he says that he was induced to do so on false promises. The certificate for the stock has remained in his name and he has declined to surrender it to the other surviving trustees because Mrs. Barnes has failed to keep alleged conditions with him. About the time of his resignation as trustee he says he and his wife made an agreement for the division of property between them. He states that Mrs. Barnes was to convey to him certain lands in Dakota and their house at Nantucket with its contents, all of which had been purchased with his money although the properties stood in his wife's name. She was also to turn over some mining stocks which he had bought, but which were also in her name. These conditions he deciares were not complied with, and the stock in suit should be left with him to secure their fulfilment. Mr. Barnes said he has not seen his former wife since the date of his resignation.

END OF A BOWERY GIRL. Tired of Life and Found Death by Polson Welcome -20 Years Old.

Josie Evans of the Bowery committed suleide yesterday in the hallway at 155 Park row by swallowing carbolic acid. She went there with a young man who said he lived at that address and offered him a flask. When he tried

to drink, the stuff burned his aps and he spatit out.

"You try it," said he. The girl deliberately drank off haif of the contents of the flask. It was full of crude carbolic acid. She died soon afterward. The Bowery "regulars" say that she came from Albany some time ago to run away with a sailor. She was about 20 years oid, and pretty.

When the girl's clothing was searched this letter was found in her pocket:

JACK: Im tired of living. I hope you'll have a better time than you've given me.

JOSIE.

Postmaster Van Cott vesterday received letter from Commodore Gifford of the British Navy expressing the thanks of the officers and men of the shipe Charybdis, Albert, Buzzard and Columbine, composing his fleet in Newfoundland waters for the efficiency and punctuality with which the mails were transmitted to them last summer.

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MAGISTRATE GETS BRUTAL DRIVER.

Causes His Arrest for Flogging His Team and Holds Him for Trial. While Magistrate Zeller, who is presiding in the Centre street police court, was passing through Centre street at recess vesterday he saw a truckman thrashing a team of horses which were pulling a truck loaded with heavy machinery. The Magistrate called to Policeman Kook of the court squad and instructed him to arrest the man. He was Frank Celer

him to arrest the man. He was Frank Celer of 326 East Seventieth street. He attempted to tell the Magistrate that he was not in any way abusing his team when he was arraigned in the police court.

"That will do," broke in the Magistrate.
"It was the most brutal thing I ever saw. It is not the policeman who was the cause of your arrest, but myself. You are held in \$500 bail for trial for cruelty to animals. Your employer ought to discharge you."

BROWN HELMETS FOR WHITEWINGS. They Are Union Made and Will Cost the Street Sweepers \$1.50 Aplece. The Street Cleaning Department will issue a new style of helmet to its employees next week which will take away from them the dis tinction of being clothed in white from head to foot. The new helmet is of brown stuff, to foot. The new helmet is of brown stuff, shaped much like the present white headgear. The street sweepers will pay \$1.50 each for the new helmets. Commissioner Nagle said yesterday that the white helmets were of non-union make and that this had created some trouble in the department. The brown helmets are union made. The men first began to wear white helmets when Col. Waring prescribed uniforms for them.

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